We need funds in order to proceed.

We realize that requests for funds are almost overwhelming in these days of war and preparations for defense. But the disheartening aspects of world affairs would be unbearable to all of us if we did not forsee the possibility of peace and security sometime in the future. At the same time that we plan for defense we must plan for peace. At the same time that we plan for the present we must plan for the future.

To live in this future will require increased intellectual understanding and civic responsibility as well as hard practicality. You who are familiar with our aims and our practices will see how the building program has particular value in fitting us for this exacting democracy. But, however well-educated we as individuals may become, the work of the College is obviously much more widely effective. By influencing the educational trend of the nation it is one of the many positive directive forces in the country today. We believe that to give financial support to Black Mountain College is as important as to support the many causes that seem to be more immediately pressing.

Our needs are modest in comparison with those of

most colleges. We live simply and do as much of our own work as we efficiently can In consequence we need ask for money for essentials only.

Since the expiration of our lease makes it necessary for us to move to our own property by next year, the most pressing need is to finish the one new building we have started and to make the old buildings habitable.

We need,

for completing the building	_\$19,000
(if we were not doing almost all the	
work ourselves this building alone	
ld base seet a total of about	

in order to continue work the next semester:

work ourselves this building alone would have cost a total of about \$53,000)

for repairing and insulating the old buildings \$9,000 for the second wing of the new building \$12,000

Also necessary to house the College next year:

for six faculty cottages	\$15,000
for furnishings	\$ 2,000
for quarters for the colored help	\$ 3,000
for the mortgage	\$12,000